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DIARY NOTES - 1 August

1. With the Director attended a briefing of the House Appropriations Committee. Most of the session was taken up on the world situation and particularly our alleged failure in Iraq. In the latter part of the session, however, we did discuss personnel and particularly the number of personnel in Washington. The Chairman believes that we ought to make a substantial cut in our personnel in Washington and also implied that we might get along with less money. Mr. Dulles took a very strong stand, saying that while he was trying to cut down on personnel he could not guarantee that he could do so and that insofar as money was concerned he expected to come back in January asking for \$40,000,000 or \$50,000,000 more than we had asked for for Fiscal Year 1959. There was some discussion as to how the Committee could be kept briefed on a permanent basis, whether they should put a man down with us full time or whether we could distribute to them our weekly and daily reports. No agreement was reached. The Director did say, however, that we would try to work out something on this.

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